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Selectmen's Minutes 04/25/2005

TOWN OF ARLINGTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Meeting Minutes
 Monday, April 25, 2005
 6:00 p.m.

Present: Mr. Hurd, Chair, Mrs. Dias, Vice-Chair, Mr. Greeley, and Ms. LaCourt.

Also present: Mr. Sullivan, Mr. Maher, and Mrs. Krepelka.

Arrived

APPOINTMENTS & REAPPOINTMENTS

1. Appointment: Council on Aging
 Ann MacGowan
 (term to expire 4/25/08)
 Mrs. Dias moved approval. SO VOTED (4-0)

2. Appointment: Information Technology Advisory Committee
 Kevin Koch
 (term to expire 4/08)
 Ms. LaCourt moved approval. SO VOTED (4-0)

3. Reappointment: Council on Aging
 Harry McCabe
 (term to expire 5/01/08)
 Mr. Greeley moved approval. SO VOTED (4-0)

4. Reappointments: Board of Youth Services
 Eugene Lucarelli
 Carlene Newell
 Dorothy Williams
 (terms to expire 4/08)
 Mr. Greeley moved approval. SO VOTED (4-0)

LICENSES & PERMITS

5. Request: Common Victualler License
 Thomas J. Almeida d/b/a I Chef, 1345 Mass. Ave.
 Mr. Greeley moved approval subject to conditions set forth. SO VOTED (4-0)

TRAFFIC RULES & ORDERS/OTHER BUSINESS

6. Request: Permission to Hold 9th Annual Farmers' Market, 6/15/05-10/5/05

Oakes Plimpton, Manager

Mr. Plimpton reported the Farmer's Market would be the same as last year, with the same farmers and same hours.

Mr. Greeley moved approval.

SO VOTED (4-0)

7. Discussion: Churchill Ave.

Michael Rademacher, Transportation Advisory Committee

Mr. Rademacher offered the following recommendations regarding Churchill Avenue and Endicott Street:

recommends for Churchill Ave.- spot Police enforcement on in the a.m., which is used as a route to the High School and installing a temporary radar sign.

recommends at the intersection of Churchill Ave. and Endicott St. a stop sign with painted stop bar.

recommends an advance warning on Churchill Ave. at the intersection of Wildwood St. before the stop sign traveling away from the High School along with stop bars painted on the road.

Mr. Greeley moved approval asking the Town Manager to set up the first recommendation and instituting the second and third recommendations.

SO VOTED (4-0)

8. Article 35, 41, 59, 60, 67 and 70 Annual Town Meeting, 4/25/05

Article 6 Special Town Meeting, 4/27/05

Mrs. Mahon arrived at this time.

Article #35

Mr. Maher reported to the Board that article #35 tightens up procedures of private way repair while giving a chance to reinvigorating a valuable program in Town. It will reduce the current 2/3 down amount to 1/3 down amount required of residents. The Town will borrow funds for remaining 2/3 amount to be paid back over 5 years by the residents at a capped interest rate of 7%. Mr. Maher asked that unless he hears differently from the Board that it is incorporated into the Selectmen's First Supplemental Report to Town Meeting for next Monday night.

Mr. Greeley moved favorable action.

SO VOTED (5-0)

Article #41

Mr. Maher recommended to the Board that they vote no action and keep options open.

Mr. Maher felt that the sense of the Board was that to support trash fees at this time might lessen the chance of a successful override.

Mr. Jamieson stated he understood the Board's position but looks forward to working with the Board in the future.

Ms. LaCourt wants the Board to revisit this discussion after the override in context of all other things in the budget and revenue stream.

Mr. Greeley moved no action.

SO VOTED (5-0)

Article #59

Mrs. Mahon moved no action.

SO VOTED (5-0)

Article #60

Mr. Greeley moved no action.

SO VOTED (5-0)

Article #67

Mr. Fischer spoke as a proponent saying aggregate health data is needed more from the Town as it is with private industry.

The benefits of this warrant in collecting data includes: getting better info on epidemics, info that could help establish plans and programs that better fit Arlington, and finding additional funding sources for wellness things such as bike paths etc.

Mr. Fischer asked the Board to support this article. Mr. Maher asked that a copy of the resolution be sent to him for review. The Board agreed to table this article until they see the resolution. Mrs. Mahon said she'd be in touch with Mr. Fischer regarding a Comcast cable show on this topic.

Article #70

Mr. Maher has not been able to meet with the originators and will draft comments on both sides of the issue for the Board. The Board agreed to table this until the next meeting 5.9.05. Mrs. Mahon asked Mr. Maher to talk to the Superintendent regarding the meeting tomorrow night and report back.

Mr. Greeley congratulated Mr. Hurd on his award from the Children's room.

Mrs. Mahon moved to adjourn concurrent with adjourning of the Town Meeting
SO VOTED (5-0)

A True Record: Attest:

Marie A. Krepelka